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## WSU among leaders in research

Although Wright State may be a relatively new university, it ranks with some of the biggest and oldest universities in Ohio in research funding.

Wright State received \$5 million last year for "pure" basic research, according to Dr. Donald Thomas, vice-provost for research. That placed Wright State third among the 12 state-assisted universities. For total research services, which includes a variety of different types of financial support, Wright State received \$10 million.

"A new, growing institution provides a great opportunity for young people to develop in their fields. We were able to bring in a lot of young academics just reaching their peak research years. Many were interested in exciting new fields, which now attract intense interest and funding," says Thomas.

Funding for research comes from a variety of sources, including industry and the federal and state government.

## Hobart Corporation offers scholarship

Wright State students Vercie Lark and Dianne Preissler have been selected as the first recipients of the newly established Hobart Scholarship at Wright State.

Funded by the Hobart Corporation, the scholarship will provide up to \$2,500 per year to qualified black and female undergraduate students at Wright State University.

Scholarship recipients must be full-time students working toward a bachelor's degree in a field of study related to Hobart's business needs. Relevant study areas include engineering, computer science, marketing, administration, and management.

## WSU, Kettering hospital announce new diagnostic device

A new medical device hailed as a diagnostic milestone will be brought to the Dayton area this spring by Kettering Medical Center and the WSU School of Medicine.

Known as a magnetic resonance scanner (MR), the equipment combines space-age technology, safety, and cost-efficiency to produce remarkably detailed images of the inside of the human body. Physicians describe MR as a revolutionary leap forward in diagnostic medicine because of its powerful imaging capabilities and its potential for gathering other valuable diagnostic information.

The scanner will be the first of its kind in Southwest Ohio. A magnetic resonance center to be located at the medical center's Kettering Memorial Hospital has been approved by the Miami Valley Coalition for Health Care Cost Effectiveness and the Ohio Department of Health.

The device is expected to be operational by May 1. It will immediately be available for patient use through referrals from attending physicians throughout the area and for scientific research under the direction of the WSU School of Medicine.

## Medical faculty receive aviation awards

Two prestigious aviation awards recently were presented to physicians from the School of Medicine's Aerospace Medicine Residency Program.

Dr. Stanley R. Mohler, professor of community medicine and the program's director, received the Lawrence P. Sharples Award from the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. The award is presented annually to honor an outstanding contribution to the field of general aviation.

Dr. Mavis Fujii, a second-year resident physician in the WSU Aerospace Medicine Residency Program, received an Amelia Earhart Fellowship from Zonta International, a world-wide service organization of executive women in business and the professions. The fellowship marks the first time this award has gone to a physician.





# REVIEW



## New campus building wins award

The new Engineering and Mathematical Sciences Building at Wright State and the building's architectural and construction firms recently received awards from the Masonry Institute of Dayton.

The Dayton firm of Lorenz and Williams received the 1984 Architectural Excellence Award, the Excellence in Masonry Award and the Excellence in Engineering Award for their work in designing the two story brick building. Receiving the Masonry Institute's Craftsmanship Award was KMCO, Inc., which used several types of brick for the exterior of the building.

The WSU Engineering and Mathematical Sciences Building was completed in fall, 1984, for \$3.5 million. The building's 44,445 square feet houses laboratories, classrooms and faculty offices for the Wright State School of Engineering and Department of Mathematics and Statistics.

## Outstanding teacher nominations needed

The College of Liberal Arts Faculty Development Committee is seeking nominating letters from alumni, university departments, individual faculty members, and students, for the Merit Award for Outstanding Teacher.

Full-time faculty members at Wright State who have not received the award during the past seven years may be nominated. The letter should review the candidate's strengths as a teacher, innovative teaching techniques, contributions to program development and other pertinent information.

Letters of nomination should be forwarded to D. Bartlett Blair, chairman, Faculty Development Committee, 035 Millett Hall. The deadline for submissions is April 30.

For additional information call D. Bartlett Blair, 513/873-2355.

## Joyce Brothers lectures at WSU

Dr. Joyce Brothers discussed "What Every Woman Should Know About Love" in a lecture recently at Wright State. The noted psychologist, author and radio personality, spoke on the main campus to a sellout crowd.

For her talk, Brothers drew upon her most recent book, which bears the same title. She also is the author of *What Every Woman Should Know About Men and How to Get Whatever You Want Out of Life*.

Brothers is a regular columnist for *Good Housekeeping* magazine and writes a daily column that is published in more than 350 newspapers.

For the sixth year, Brothers was listed among the nation's "most admired women" in a recent Gallup poll.

## Professorship named for Thompson

The Dr. Nicholas J. Thompson Distinguished Professorship Endowment Fund has been established by the WSU School of Medicine to honor the founding chairman of the school's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Thompson, a former Centerville resident had served as founding chairman of the department from 1975 to 1981, and had practiced medicine in the Dayton area for more than 30 years until his death nearly four years ago.

Annual income from the endowment will be used to support a professorship within the WSU Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Contributions to the fund may be made through the Wright State University Foundation.

## Artist Series features *TIME* critic, and composer

In May, contemporary art, art criticism, and contemporary music will be the focus of the Artist Series, when Robert Hughes, art critic for *TIME* magazine and author of *Shock of the New*, will lecture on contemporary art at 5 pm on May 15, in the Creative Arts Center Concert Hall. Later that evening, at 8 pm, David Ward-Steinman, contemporary composer, will perform with the Wright State University Music Department as part of his week-long residency activities.

For further information and tickets, please call the Wright State University Center Hollow Tree Box Office, 873-2900.

## How do we win the battle of the bulge?

by Wendy Larish

Springtime for many is a mixed pleasure, for along with warmer weather comes cooler clothing and figures that may have changed dramatically over the winter. For those who have gained weight during the colder months, the upcoming warm season can be a time to hit the panic button on the refrigerator.

How do many of us end up overweight? A variety of reasons according to Dr. Diane Frey, psychologist and Wright State associate professor of counseling.

"Dependency on food," she says, "is difficult to overcome because most people treat the symptom, rather than the cause—psychological needs." Psychological reasons for eating must be understood in order to successfully lose weight, according to Frey.

She points to a technique developed by Overeaters Anonymous as a good plan to follow. Members are instructed to HALT before eating anything. "HALT is an acronym for hunger, anger, loneliness and tiredness. If you're eating for any reason except to satisfy your hunger, you shouldn't be eating," says Frey.

People who respond to their



problem by going on fad diets or fasting "end up doing more harm than good," says Frey. "Your body adjusts to a reduced calorie intake and doesn't adjust as quickly when you return to eating normally. Therefore, you actually may gain more weight back than you lost," she says.

The vicious cycle of gaining and losing weight is due in part to the

body's "set point," she notes. "Everyone's body adjusts to a certain metabolic rate and once adjusted, it is hard to gear downward."

What should you do if you are dieting and reach a "plateau," or standstill weight? "The only way to really break a set point is through exercise," says Frey. She recommends 20 minutes of aerobic exercise three times a week.

Frey generally has found that people are too obsessed with defining body image as who they are. Yet feeling bad about yourself if you are overweight can be detrimental to your self esteem, and society can be cruel to the overweight person, she says. In interviews, for example, conducted in the Dayton area, overweight people said they received shoddy treatment, such as being seated in the back and being waited on last in restaurants.

If you find yourself among those who need to shed pounds before shedding winter clothing, Frey advises three things: Ask yourself why you are overeating, reduce your calorie intake while maintaining a balanced diet, and exercise regularly. ●



# TEACHER TEACHER

Contest winner receives \$500 award



Hemmelgarn

by Nick Adams

Leanne Hemmelgarn is a Wright State student who had the "write stuff"—the "write stuff" to win the first essay contest sponsored by the WSU College of Education and Human Services last year. She learned about the contest from her high school counselor in Minster, Ohio.

Hemmelgarn won first prize by writing on the topic, "The Teacher Who Influenced Me the Most to Want to Become a Teacher." At a banquet on campus, honoring high school student entrants, she received a \$500 award to attend WSU.

Her essay focused on the teaching excellence of Sister Norma Osterloh, her third grade teacher at Minster Elementary School. "Sister Osterloh had a way of making you want to please her, to work hard," says Hemmelgarn. "She was really concerned about her students.

"You must want to teach to be successful at it. You also need an excellent education and should keep up with new methods of teaching. That is why I'm enthusiastic and excited about the education I'm receiving at Wright State," says Hemmelgarn. "The WSU student teaching program is one of the top eleven programs in the nation and the College of Education is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. For these reasons I was particularly pleased to win the cash award to apply toward my teaching degree at WSU."

The idea for the essay contest was developed by Dr. Robert Clark, associate professor of education,



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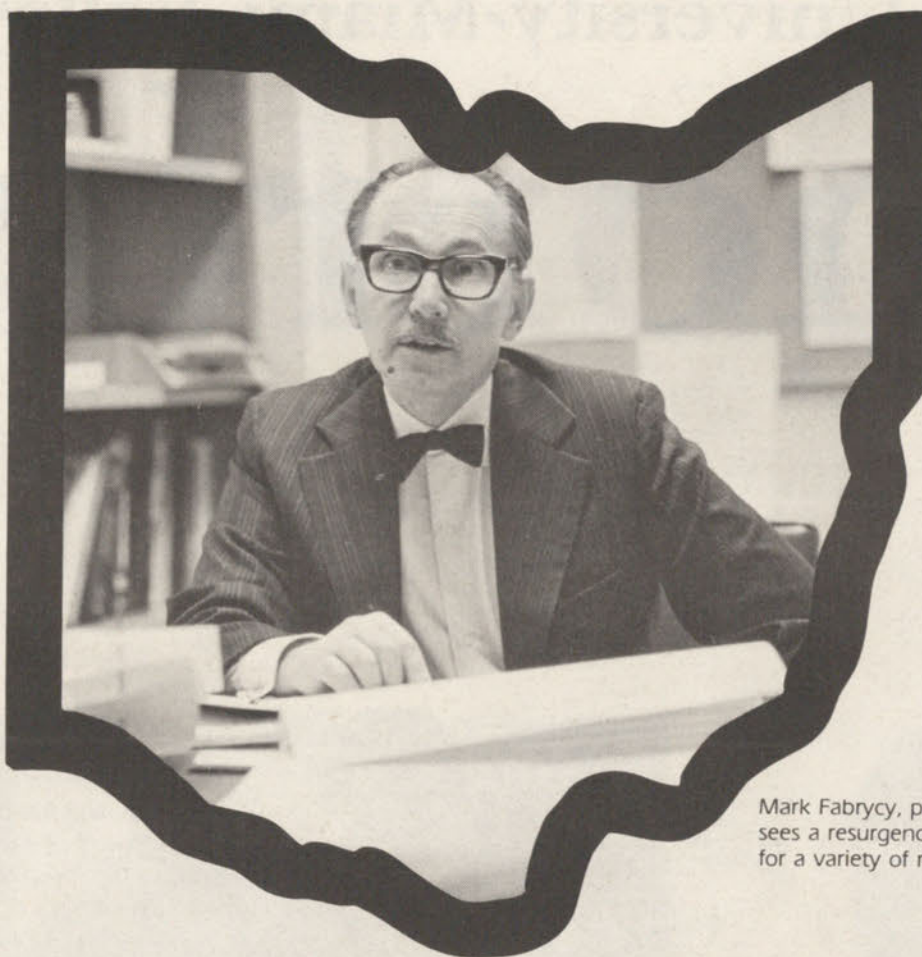
who felt it would be a good tool to encourage high school students with an interest in becoming teachers to come to Wright State. "The purpose of the essay contest is to provide financial assistance to deserving high school students who intend to enter teaching careers and to recognize teachers who have had a profound impact on their students," says Clark. "We plan to hold the essay contest every year."

Hemmelgarn's sincere expression of how Sister Osterloh has influenced her career decisions helped Hemmelgarn win the essay contest, says Sally Evans, director of student services in the College of Education and Human Services. According to Evans, Hemmelgarn won the award because of her superior writing skills that showed sincerity about the subject.

"I hope I can display the attributes of Sister Osterloh when I begin teaching," said Hemmelgarn in her winning essay. "She showed great affection for the children in her classes, and her teaching techniques were extremely successful. What made her special to me was her ability to go a step beyond the realm of teacher. It was obvious that she had a special love for children. She did not just teach us, she cared about us. I suppose I never really appreciated Sister Osterloh until I became a junior high student and began to associate with teachers who had conflicting interests. When the education of the students becomes anything less than top priority, all is lost. Sister Osterloh certainly was a prime example of a teacher who puts education at the top of the list. In this way she gave me respect for the teaching profession."

Because Hemmelgarn shares Sister Osterloh's love for children she believes she can offer students something more than books and homework. "I have seen firsthand the difference a dedicated teacher makes in the classroom. It is my hope that some day I will be able to give to the children in my classes what Sister Osterloh gave to me. With the help of my professors at Wright State and my own dedication and hard work I can make my dream become a reality." ●





Mark Fabrycy, professor of economics, sees a resurgence in area manufacturing for a variety of reasons.

# Building strength

## A rebirth of manufacturing

by Wendy Larish

During the past decade there has been a disturbing trend in Dayton manufacturing; plants have closed or relocated, the number of strikes has increased and thousands of jobs have been lost. But according to one Wright State University professor, that trend is being reversed for a variety of reasons.

One major reason is Ohio's very high quality of labor. "Labor here is well trained, highly self-disciplined, very productive, and likes to work. That quality, responsible for bringing investors such as Honda to the area, will be largely responsible for enticing future investments," says Mark Fabrycy, professor of economics.

Another important factor contributing to local manufacturing recovery is the decrease in "relative unit labor cost." He defines unit labor cost as the "cost of wages, including all fringe benefits, divided by the value of the product output." Labor costs have already slowed down somewhat over the last five years, according to Fabrycy.

"Unit labor cost is the most

important determinant of a manufacturer's choice of location," says Fabrycy. Other factors that investors look at are the number of work days lost due to strikes and the energy costs of a particular area.

Previously, the Dayton area had several cards stacked against it. According to Fabrycy area labor costs were among the highest nationwide, and Ohio had the highest number of days lost due to strikes, but because of "considerable concessions made by labor," Ohio has partly offset those disadvantages.

Ohio's energy costs are competitive with those in the South and Southwest, but when compared to some of those states that have less expensive local energy supplies, such as Texas and Louisiana, Ohio is less competitive. Additionally, some states have such moderate climates that neither heating nor air-conditioning is often required. Prime examples of such states are North and South Carolina, and parts of Florida and California.

Currently, manufacturing makes up less than a third of area businesses, but retail and services continue

to thrive in the area including Montgomery, Greene, Clark and Miami counties. "Manufacturing does support other local businesses and that is why its strength is important to area commerce," says Fabrycy.

How can we further improve the economic climate? Regarding the Dayton economy, he feels we have a great need to establish a local organization to provide closer cooperation between labor, business and government. This organization would deal with issues such as wage rates, strikes and profits.

"This kind of organization actually exists and is highly successful in countries such as Japan, West Germany, Sweden and Switzerland," says Fabrycy, and points to Honda as an example of a corporation where labor and management enjoy excellent cooperation.

"An attempt was made to establish a similar organization in this area six years ago, but was not successful because of the great political sensitivity to the issues involved.

"We tend to be 'small-team players' in this country," says Fabrycy. "We need to broaden the idea of 'our team' to include the whole country."

Although basically optimistic about local manufacturing, Fabrycy is less enthusiastic about the national economy in the years to come. He predicts a recovery during 1985 and 1986, but feels that by 1987 the "tremendous budget deficit and our inability to reduce it or eliminate it" may bring on a recession.

Despite political claims, he feels politicians will have little influence on a recovery if a recession occurs, since it is the Federal Reserve Board that "really controls our monetary policy and through it, our economy." The President does control taxes though, and Fabrycy emphasizes taxes must be increased to prevent a recession. "It's simply a matter of government spending more than it takes in, which may stimulate business, but leaves us with a tremendous deficit and a possible recession," says Fabrycy ●



# Wright State University-Miami Valley School of Nursing tomorrow's

by Wendy Larish

"The Wright State University-Miami Valley School of Nursing is moving forward to meet the challenges of nursing education in contemporary society," says Dean Jeanette Lancaster.

"We're increasingly going to be looking at new and innovative career opportunities," she says. "Settings for nursing practice are changing; hospitals are seeing decreasing occupancy while care is increasingly being given in the community and in the home."

To prepare students for nursing careers in a variety of settings the program stresses holistic health care. "Our curriculum focuses on maintaining the highest level of wellness possible," says Lancaster. Holistic health incorporates both physical and mental health, and for this reason our nurses are educated in both biological and social sciences, according to Lancaster.

Nursing students attending WSU not only learn theory, but also have ample opportunity to apply it. The recent collaborative agreement with Miami Valley Hospital will enable students to gain a greater number of hours of clinical experience. "By virtue of this agreement they will have the opportunity to be taught by people who are practicing as experts in their speciality."

Students will be taken on rounds with MVH nurses serving as clinical instructors as part of the agreement to "share people," Lancaster says. Some of their people will be working at WSU in a



teaching capacity and, likewise, our faculty will be more intimately involved in the hospital setting." Lectures and additional courses on subjects such as research and perioperative nursing (nursing in and around the operating room) will also be offered through the collaboration with Miami Valley.

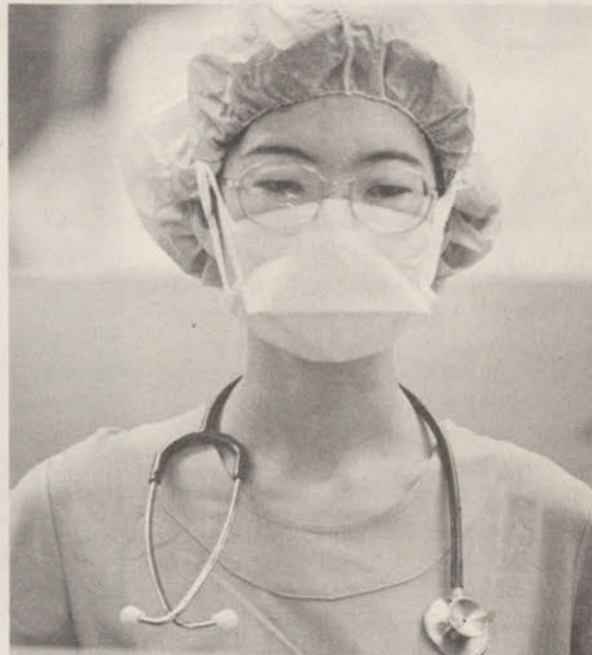
The clinical opportunities offered through this newly combined WSU-MV School of Nursing are offered in addition to experience available at other area hospitals. Beginning in winter quarter of 1985, registered nurses were given the opportunity to select sites for their clinical experience from various agencies in Miami, Shelby, and Darke counties. The School of Nursing employs clinical instructors to supervise these programs, according to Lancaster.

"Our nurses are given a solid foundation on which to build their careers," Lancaster says. In July of 1984, 96 percent of the school's graduates passed their state boards, indicating that the quality of both the students and the instructors is high.

A 1984 graduate, Kathy Donohue, exemplifies the agility in which a well-educated nursing student can move into a meaningful career. A member of Zeta Phi, the WSU chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, a national honor society for nurses who hold a bachelor's degree, and an honor student while at Wright State, Donohue began working at Miami Valley Hospital as an extern. Extern programs are available at MVH for juniors and seniors, according to Donohue, and the program provides them with valuable clinical experience. Donohue explains the program as a type of "apprenticeship, similar to internships offered for physicians."

Donohue works in neo-natal intensive care as a primary nurse. She says that both her clinical experience and her education were instrumental in gaining full-time employment. "Having a degree is in and of itself a very special thing, but more and more, hospitals are looking for employees with a bachelor's degree . . .," says Donohue. "Hospitals, especially Miami Valley, also like to rehire their externs. Having that experience was a great help."

In her work with newborns, she uses the holistic type of care stressed in the nursing program. "Most of my work involves premature babies. We work with family members to educate them on



how to continue care in the home and explain what we're doing in the hospital. We reassure them and help them cope."

Tania Tangeman, also a 1984 graduate, agreed that having her bachelor's degree made a good impression on her employers at Dartmouth Center in Dayton. Tangeman works with teenagers at the psychiatric hospital, and feels that her education helped prepare her for her work there. "We were given clinical experience in psychiatric nursing, a background in crisis intervention, and extensive preparation in communications," Tangeman says. In dealing with suicide prevention and drug and alcohol counseling, among other problems, Tangeman says that the patient's biological,



Nursing student Cami Dalton checks the heart rate of Diana Seebock, in the nursing school learning lab on campus, while student Susan Hartman and School of Nursing Dean Jeanette Lancaster observe.



sing meets

# challenges



Graduate Kathy Donohue works in neo-natal intensive care as a primary nurse at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton.



Nursing graduate Tania Tangeman is employed at the Dartmouth Center in Dayton counseling teenagers who have psychological, drug, or alcohol related problems.

sociological, physical, and spiritual needs are all incorporated into a plan of care. "Many times it's a case of teaching the kids to deal in a more appropriate way with anger and their feelings. It's getting to the root of the problem, not just solving it," Tangeman says.

Area hospitals and organizations such as the Dartmouth Center and the greater Dayton and Wright State communities have all been supportive of the School of Nursing, says Lancaster.

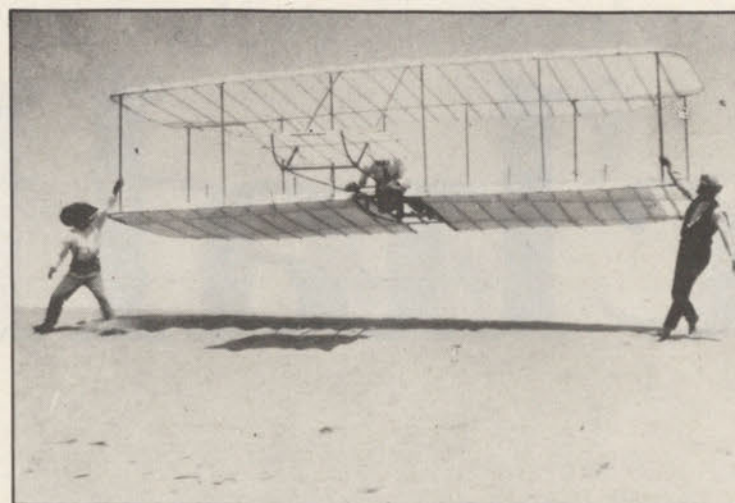
Drawn to Wright State by the "exciting stage of the university's growth and the excitement and support to build a fine school," Lancaster left the University of Alabama School of Nursing and was named dean in August of 1984.

Lancaster is implementing plans to ensure that the nursing program continues to be of the highest quality for the future. She plans to increase the number of faculty members and encourages present members to become doctorally prepared. The author or coauthor of five books, several book chapters and numerous publications, Lancaster is also encouraging her faculty members to be productive in scholarly pursuits.

"We really want to be known for being exceptional," says Lancaster. "And we're on our way." ●



# EARLY FLIGHT 1900-1911



The Wrights conducted many trials with gliders, researching the principals of aerodynamics, before building the Wright Flyer. Here, helpers Dan Tate and Edward C. Huffaker launch a glider, with a Wright brother controlling, over the sand dunes at Kitty Hawk in 1901.

## Smithsonian fuels Wright flight photo tour

by Launce V. Rake

**"In the photographic darkroom at home we pass moments of as thrilling interest as any in the field, when the image begins to appear on the plate and it is yet an open question whether we have a picture of a flying machine, or merely a patch of open sky."—Wilbur Wright, December, 1901**

The romance and excitement of the Wright brothers' flights. The aesthetic beauty of their photography. These two elements are combined in an exhibition of 56 rare, original Wright brothers' photographs organized at Wright State University and now touring the country under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution. Stops for the exhibit include Yonkers Hudson River

Museum in New York, Seattle's Museum of Flight, and the Experimental Aircraft Association Museum in Oshkosh, Wis.

Last summer, the photographs were exhibited at Wright-Patterson Air Force Museum and Pau, France, site of the world's first school of aviation, begun by the Wright brothers in 1909.

For curators Tucker Malishenko, a Wright State graduate student working on his master's degree in historical administration, and Ronald Geibert, assistant professor of art, the photographs were a tailor-made combination of history and art.

"I began to see things in these photographs that I had never seen anywhere before," says Malishenko. "They were beautiful. Not only were they historical documents, but they conveyed exciting images."

"What I brought to the project was not an historical view of the growth of flight," says Geibert, "but the role of photography in the

Wright brothers' research coupled with the aesthetic value of the photographs."

Malishenko was working in the Wright State Archives in the University Library when he first conceived the idea for the exhibition. Then an undergraduate, he was working on organizing and preserving a collection of 3,500 photographs donated to the university by the Wright family in 1975. He was struck by the significance of the prints.

Malishenko took the idea for a photographic exhibition to the director of WSU Archives and Special Collections, Dr. Patrick Nolan. Nolan, later project director, agreed to pursue the project.

Nolan, Malishenko and Geibert looked for funding for the project for 6 months, without success. A breakthrough finally came when Wilkinson Wright, one of the few surviving relatives of the Wright brothers and a native Daytonian,

helped secure funding for the exhibition from the Hamilton Standard division of United Technologies Corp. A laborious process of selecting prints to be used from the 3,500 photograph collection began. Finally 56 of the strongest images were selected.

In December of 1983 Geibert and Malishenko went to Washington, D.C. with a proposal for the Smithsonian Institution's Traveling Exhibition Service. "The concept of the show was so exciting they accepted our proposal immediately," recalls Geibert. "When that happened, we knew that it had gone from a local show to a big, international exhibition."

The exhibit is interesting because it shows how the brothers used their own photographs to study and document their work. After their historic first flight in 1903, the Wrights took their plane—the Wright Flyer—on the road. This period, which includes important



This photograph of the Kill Devil Hill Lifesaving Station, Kitty Hawk, 1900, is a favorite of Malishenko's. He sees an amazing "strength and fortitude" in the crew. "They're really intense looking characters." The crew, which often helped the Wrights with their work, appear to "have a boyish pride" in what they're doing, says Malishenko.



This print of the crowds in Germany, 1909, vividly illustrates the intense excitement as thousands gathered to see the world's first flying machine. These German photographs are exceptional, say Geibert and Malishenko, not only because of their high quality, but because they dramatically freeze the social landscape of the time.



# S P O R T S



Orville Wright, far left, still recovering from crash injuries, confers with his brother Wilbur and his sister Katharine in Pau, France, January, 1909.

exhibitions of the new technology in Europe, is particularly well documented by French and German photographers. The early photographs taken by the Wright brothers is the first core of the exhibit and the foreign photographer's works form the second core.

Malishenko's reaction to the French and German photographs was, "wow!" "They completely documented the events of the Wright flights in Europe. Not just the flights but the crowds and the social landscape of the period."

The project is not only a personal success for Malishenko (who credits his M.A. in history and his work on the project with a new position at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Museum), and Geibert (who calls the exhibition one of the biggest projects he's worked on), but it is a very positive factor for Wright State.

"I think it signifies our maturity as an institution—sort of a 'Good Housekeeping' seal," says Nolan. He attended last December's opening of the exhibit at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C., where he received a number of compliments on the unique collection. "It makes you feel good."

As a spin-off of the exhibit, Nolan, Geibert and Malishenko produced a beautiful 96 page book, *Early Flight* with prints and narrative about all the photographs used in the exhibition.

Copies of the high-quality, glossy book are available locally from Friends of the Library, a non-profit support group of the Wright State library, at the Archives and Special Collection's office. They are also available at museums where the collection is exhibited and at Dayton area bookstores. ●



A German photograph of high quality shows eager hands moving the Wright Flyer to a launching site in 1909.

## Mohr first in athletic Hall of Fame



Mohr

Don Mohr, the first director of athletics at Wright State, was recently the inaugural inductee in the newly formed WSU athletic Hall of Fame.

Mohr, who started the athletic program in 1968 with the formation of the first intercollegiate team and remained athletic director for 12 years, was honored in February.

"Wright State athletics has reached the point when it has enough fine people who have contributed to its success that it is both appropriate and necessary to begin a Hall of Fame to honor them," said Dr. Michael J. Cusack, current athletic director. "It is only fitting that the man who led the program from its inception to the fine level at which it was when I arrived, be the Hall of Fame's first inductee."

"Great programs are built upon tradition and tradition is built through the fine individuals who have been a part of that program," Cusack said. "The Wright State Hall of Fame will be dedicated to the

individuals who have been and will be integral parts of that tradition."

Mohr, who first came to the university in 1966 as director of Financial Aid, and head of the placement and veterans' office, worked with then-university president Dr. Brage Golding, to form the first intercollegiate sport. In the fall of 1968, Wright State participated in its first intercollegiate contest, with the soccer team defeating Wilberforce, 4-2.

Mohr guided the growth of the department, adding basketball and men's gymnastics the following year. In 1972, women's tennis and softball were added to the list of sports, marking the first intercollegiate sports available to women. The department continued to grow until in the 1977-78 sports season, it offered 14 varsity sports, the most ever.

Under the Mohr administration, many of the Wright State sports moved to the top of Division II. The golf and women's swimming teams recorded top-10 finishes in national championships. The men's basketball team made three consecutive trips to the regional tournament and less than two years after he retired, won the Division II national championship. The baseball program, which he coached for three seasons, has had three finishes in the top 20 in Division II. During Mohr's tenure, 49 athletes earned all-America honors in 10 different varsity sports.

## Ortiz named athletic trainer



Ortiz

Tony Ortiz has been named the new athletic trainer at Wright State.

Ortiz took over the duties of David Shon who resigned last fall to accept a position as director of sports medicine in Rockford, Ill. A former teacher/athletic trainer at Beavercreek High School, Ortiz was anxious to find a position with a university in the Dayton area. "This is an excellent opportunity," says Ortiz, "to devote all my time to

athletic training."

He will serve as trainer for 14 varsity sports and will also be teaching several courses in athletic training at WSU. Ortiz administers first aid, assists athletes in rehabilitation after an injury, and prescribes treatment of an injury.

In the summer of 1979, Ortiz worked under Otho Davis at the training camp of the Philadelphia Eagles. He is an 11-year member of the National Athletic Trainers Association, and has a master's degree in health education from Bowling Green.

Ortiz is enjoying his work in the Athletic Department since joining the staff in January. "We have all the latest equipment to take care of all our athletes. It is a pleasure to be associated with such a class operation." ●



# ALUMNI

## NEWS

### 68-75

**Rachel J. Schweitzer** (M. Education 69) is the state supervisor for curriculum development for the state of Delaware.

**Sherry Stanley** (B.S. Elem. Education 69) is working as the director of the Miami Valley Hospital Medical-Surgical Clinic. Sherry also serves as chairperson for the WSU School of Medicine Alumni Association. She is an affiliate of the American College of Physicians and is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians and the WSU Alumni Association Teaching Excellence Committee.

**C. Annalee Cowger** (B.S. Education 71) is teaching second grade at Minster Local Elementary School in Minster, Ohio.

**Barbara Kane** (M. Education 71) spent four weeks last summer in Caesarea Maritima, Israel, participating in an archeological dig. Barbara is an associate professor of educational psychology at Indiana State University.

**Robert J. Garner** (B.S. Accountancy 72) is now a partner in the firm of Ernst and Whinney. Robert works in the Atlanta office.

**Fred Stickle** (M. Education 72) is an associate professor of psychology and counselor education at Western Kentucky University.

**Kathleen Woerner** (B.A. French 72) is an international sales coordinator for DAP Inc. in Dayton.

**Robert Zinser** (B.S. Accountancy 72) is a managing partner in the accounting firm of Sanders, Shifman and Brannick. Robert has been with the firm for 18 years. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the American Institute of CPA's and the Ohio Society of CPA's.

**Douglas Heuer** (M. Education 73) is serving as assistant principal for curriculum at Grove City High School in Grove City, Ohio. Prior to accepting this position, Douglas taught at Westland High School and in Athens and Upper Arlington. He is active in athletics and has coached football, wrestling and track.

**Marsha Bush** (M. Education 74) recently opened a private counseling practice in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

**Debi Carter-Ford** (B.A. Psychology 74) is the assistant director of continuing education at Kettering Medical Center. In addition, Debi operates her own consulting firm, Network for Development.

#### Alumni Association Cincinnati Reds/River Downs weekend planned

With the baseball season now under way, it is time to think about an excursion to see the Cincinnati Reds in action against the Los Angeles Dodgers. The excursion is scheduled for August 3 and 4. The Greyhound coach will leave WSU Saturday morning and will arrive at River Downs for the afternoon race. Reserved seats and lunch are included. That evening you will attend the baseball game at Riverfront Stadium followed by a party at the Terrace Hilton hospitality suite. Evening accommodations at the Hilton will be followed the next morning with a breakfast at the Terrace Gardens Restaurant in the hotel, and the Sunday baseball game that afternoon. For more information, call 873-2620.

**Joan H. Lamb** (M. Education 74) has been named to "Who's Who in the South and Southwest" and the International "Who's Who" for contemporary achievement.

**William J. Brown** (B.S. Management 75) is serving as postmaster in Kokomo, Indiana. William is managing 68 associate post offices in the Kokomo Sectional Center and is responsible for 798 postal workers.

**Doug Miller** (B.S. Accountancy 74) has been named manager of the new sales office of ERA Dockery Inc., Realtors, in Huber Heights, Ohio.

**Ron Powers** (B.S. Accountancy 74) is director of accounting for the Dayco Corporation. He resides in Miamisburg, Ohio.

**Robert J. Spidel** (M.A. History 74) a captain in the Army, is serving as a battalion executive officer with the 3rd Infantry Division in Wuerzburg, West Germany.



**Kendra Warren** (B.A. Anthropology 75) has been appointed disaster services chairman for the Red Cross in Dayton. A computer programmer analyst for Air Force Logistics Command at WPAFB, Kendra has been a volunteer at the Red Cross since 1977. For her community involvement, she was selected as one of the Outstanding Young Women in America in 1983 and was nominated in 1984 for the Dayton Area Jaycee's Distinguished Service Award.

### 76-79

**Elizabeth M. Obara** (M.S. Earth Science 76) recently received the Battelle/Acker Award for outstanding teaching. Elizabeth has been teaching science at Newton Local High School in Pleasant Hill, Ohio for 11 years. She is now eligible for the \$2,500 Battelle Award for Professional Development, to be awarded this spring.

**Ronald Shelton** (B.S. Management 76) has been named manager of customer information for Dayton Power and Light. He serves on the board of directors of the Better Business Bureau and is a member of the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Kenneth R. Ward** (B.S. Education 76) has been awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal at RAF Mildenhall, England. Kenneth, a first lieutenant, is chief of the Intelligence Division with the 313th Tactical Airlift Group. The medal is awarded to those who demonstrate meritorious achievement or service while assigned to multi-service activities of the Department of Defense.

**David Whittaker** (B.A. History 76) recently joined the Columbus law firm of Zacks, Luper & Wolinetz Co. LPA. Whittaker served as a member of the Clintonville Area Commission from 1980-81 and served as secretary of the North Columbus Jaycees. He is a member of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

**Mark Woerner** (B.A. Sociology 76) works in city planning in Sarasota, Florida.

**Kathleen Mahoney** (B.A. French 77) has earned her master of arts with distinction in international relations from the University of Southern California, United Kingdom Program.

**Michael Malone** (B.S. Accountancy 77) is working as a manager of Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Certified Public Accountants. Michael joined the firm in 1977 and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants.

**Jeffrey J. Holman** (B.S. Systems Engineering 78) died on May 24, 1983. At that time he was employed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.



**Josie Olsvig** (B.A. Social Work 78) received a master's degree in social work in 1981 from the University of Louisville. The following two years she worked for Catholic Social Services before entering law school. She is on a year's leave attending the London School of Economics and Political Science. This summer she will return to the U.S. to finish her law degree and eventually open her own law practice.

**Judy Seiter** (B.S. Art Education 78) has joined the sales staff of Hartley Realty of Xenia, Ohio.

**Terry Flavin** (B.S. Business Administration 79) has been appointed installment loan manager for Gem Savings. Terry joined Gem Savings in 1978 as a teller, and has since worked as a loan officer and underwriter and as a consumer risk manager.

**James S. Neitzke** (B.S. Accountancy 79) was promoted to manager for the accounting firm of Deloitte, Haskins and Sells.

**Terrie Smith** (B.S. Nursing 79) is currently attending Ohio State University, studying pre-medicine. She is employed as a registered nurse at Children's Hospital in Columbus. Terrie recently became the bride of Raymond Overholser, who is also studying pre-medicine at OSU.

**Paul Tartarilla** (B.S. Nursing 79) is an Air Force captain serving as assistant charge nurse in pediatrics with the Wilford Hall Air Force Medical Center. He and his wife live in San Antonio, Texas.

### 80-84

**Laurie Denger** (B.A. Communication 80) is the night general assignment and police reporter for Dayton Newspapers Inc. Laurie has been working there since 1979.

**Ahmed Husein Esa** (M.S. Biological Sciences 80) was recently awarded his doctorate degree from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

**Lynne Marie Knopp** (B.S. Computer Science 80) recently wed Scott Ebright. She is a systems analyst with Reynolds and Reynolds.

**Mary Rose McGuinness** (B.S. Biological Sciences 80) has been promoted to the rank of captain in the U.S. Air Force. She is a manpower management officer at Homestead Air Force Base, Florida, with the 4400th Management Engineering Squadron.

**Alan Meade** (B.S. Business Management 80) is a bank examiner for the Division of Bank Supervision, Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., in Bismark, North Dakota.

**Nancy C. Miller** (B.S. Education 80) is teaching at a high school in Wheelersburg, Ohio. Last year she served as an adviser to the high school quiz team and her group won the National Academic Championship in Dallas, Texas.

**Laura Rench** (B.A. Sociology 80) is working with her husband, Dave, on her father's Christmas tree farm in New Lebanon, Ohio. They now raise 50 acres of trees, and next year they plan to add another 30 acres.

**Deborah Howe Stephens** (B.S. Education 80) is living in Enid, Oklahoma with her husband and son. Her husband is attending pilot training school at Vance Air Force Base.

**Kent Lee Williams** (B.S. Education 80) recently graduated from the Kettering College of Medical Arts. He is a respiratory therapy technician associated with Duke University in Durham, N.C. This past summer he married Lisa Alexander.

**Thomas Woerner** (B.S. Accountancy 80) is working for United Postal Service in Cincinnati.

**Alan Yasko** (B.S. Biological Sciences 80) received a doctor of medicine degree from Northwestern University School of Medicine in Chicago. He is presently pursuing his residency training program in orthopedic surgery at Case Western Reserve University.



**Dan Schwartzentruber** (B.S. Marketing 80) was promoted to premise sales with L.M. Berry and Company. Dan received an award for top salesman in the state of Ohio for the first quarter of 1984. He recently married Karla Kozlowski.



**Karen Sue Lane** (B.S. Education 81) recently married Scott Newkirk of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands.

**B. Jean Merriman** (B.M. Education 81) is teaching vocal music in Xenia City Schools.

**Cathy Young** (B.A. Sociology 81) is currently an adjunct faculty member of the Ohio State University. Cathy is employed at Saint Anthony Hospital in Columbus where she is a supervisor in the discharge services department.

**Jennifer Eastep** (B.S. Nursing 82) is working toward her master's degree in nursing at Wright state.

**Michael Thomas Farrell** (B.S. Geology 82) recently wed Christine Albers. He is teaching at WSU while working on his master's degree.

**Carole C. Holmes** (M. Education 82) is chairman of the board and director of product development for Electronic Image Systems, Inc., a research and development company located in Xenia, Ohio.

**Lynne A. Marine** (B.S. Nursing 82) has been assigned to serve at Dyess Air Force Base in Texas. Lynne, a second lieutenant, recently completed the U.S. Air Force military indoctrination for medical services officers at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. She is assigned to the Dyess base hospital.

**John Carlos** (B.S. Electrical Engineering 83) completed the Army Officer's Candidate School in December. Last spring he married Susan Kempton.

**Fred G. Dickenson** (B.A. Communication 83) has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, after graduating from Officer Training School at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Fred and his wife, Rhonda, are stationed at Lackland.

**Terry A. Earhart** (B.S. Accountancy 83) is working as a staff accountant for Associated Estates Corp. in Cleveland, Ohio.



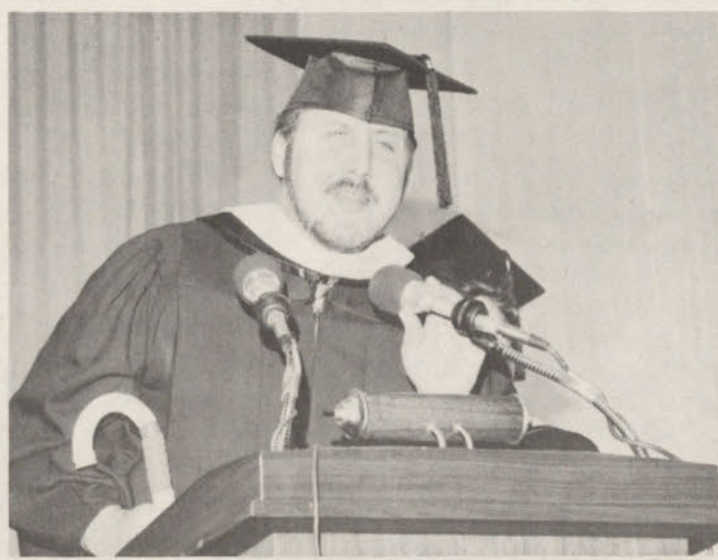
**Kathryn L. Fusco** (M.A. Art Therapy 83) has been named supervisor for the B-1 area of the Emery Worldwide superhub at the Dayton International Airport.

**Richard L. Hester** (B.S. Marketing 83) is currently working in sales as a marketing representative for A&W Furniture Sales in Dayton.

**Patricia Homan** (M. Education 83) is the assistant principal of Ursuline Academy in Blue Ash, Ohio. Prior to joining the Ursuline faculty, Sister Homan served in administration at Catholic Central High School in Springfield.

**Mark Douglas Johnson** (B.S. Medical Technology 83) had been employed at St. Elizabeth Medical Center until his death last year. A memorial has been established for him with the Northwest Ohio Hemophilia Foundation.

## Veteran selected for alumni award



by Linda Smith

Graduate Dave Koverman has great vision and shares it with other Vietnam veterans although he lost his sight in the war. He is an outreach counselor for the Dayton Vet Center and helps veterans cope with the war experience and the emotional and physical toll it has taken on their lives.

Marital problems, depression, drug and alcohol abuse and unemployment are some of the problems he hears about every day.

Because of his assistance to so many veterans he became the recipient of the Alumni Achievement Award presented at winter commencement exercises. "Through his tremendous insight as a counselor he has been credited with literally saving dozens of lives," said E. Ann Peters, president of the Alumni Association, in presenting the award. "His tireless dedication, sense of humor and ability to overcome limitations is truly an inspiration to all of us." Commenting on the award Koverman said, "I was completely surprised and honored by receiving such an award." He earned a bachelor's degree in communication and a master's degree in business and industrial counseling from Wright State and is only the second recipient of the prestigious alumni award.

Selected as the Ohio Disabled Veteran of the Year last June, Koverman is a candidate for the National Disabled Veteran of the Year Award to be announced this summer. He also was selected by the Veterans Administration to represent the midwest region for a

Special Population Working Group on Physically Disabled Veterans.

He credits much of his success in counseling with his ability to take the veterans back in time to their war experiences. He helps them work through the events to remove the stress, guilt and emotional pain that still haunts them from their experiences. "By sharing the trauma with me they can get the monkey off their back. Because I'm a veteran they identify with me. Because I can't see them I think they relax more around me, so in that way my handicap is an advantage. A technique I use in my counseling is always closing the session on an upbeat note. The veteran may take me through a very low part of his life. But I always end our discussion by bringing out something positive about what he has told me to make him feel good about himself."

How long is it before a veteran begins to resolve his problems and show improvement? "On the average it takes about six months," says Koverman. "Many of the problems are magnified because the war was unpopular. I'm glad the public's attitude toward the Vietnam veteran has changed. It is important for family and friends of the veteran to listen to his problems and not shut him out."

Koverman lost his sight in 1970 while flying a helicopter mission over the Khe Sanh Valley of North Vietnam. A gunshot wound to the head left him permanently blind.

His prescription for himself and others is "not to feel sorry for yourself." "You need to pick up the pieces and always accept new challenges in life."

**Dale Bricker** (B.S. Engineering 84) has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force. Dale is assigned to Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico.

**Thomas Brookey** (B.S. Finance 84) is employed as a proof operator for Third National Bank in Dayton.

**April Christian-Schmidlapp** (M.A. Applied Behavioral Science 84) is a program developer for the Commercial Equipment Division of Hobart Corp. in Troy, Ohio, and is an associate faculty member of speech at Edison State College in Piqua, Ohio. April is the president of the Western Ohio Chapter of The American Society for Training and Development.

**Joan Coulson** (M.D. 84) is serving her residency in family practice at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton.

**Jude P. Crino** (M.D. 84) began his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Wright State affiliated hospitals in Dayton.

**Alan Davis** (M.D. 84) was among 12 members of the class of 1984 to be honored by the Epsilon of Ohio chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. To be named to AOA, students must rank in the top 25 percent of the class and demonstrate leadership, integrity and compassion.

**John E. Fox** (M.D. 84) is serving his residency at Poudre Valley Hospital, the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, in Fort Collins, Colorado. He was chosen outstanding senior medical student by the Academy of Medicine at Wright State and was also honored as WSU's Family Practice Student of the Year for 1983-84.

**Gregory Gilreath** (B.S. Chemistry 84) a private first class in the Army, recently completed unit training at the U.S. Army Infantry School. Completion of the course qualifies Gregory as a light-weapons infantryman and as an indirect-fire crewman.

**Carl P. Harris, Jr.** (B.S. Computer Science 84) has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force. Carl is assigned to Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska.

**Donald E. Hura** (M.D. 84) is at Mount Carmel Medical Center in Columbus serving his surgical residency.

**Lynn Marie Knopp** (B.S. Computer Science 84) married Scott Edward Ebright, who serves in the Army at Fort Bragg, N.C. Lynn worked as a systems analyst for the General Motors Corp. prior to her marriage. Her husband attended Wright State before his enlistment.

**Raymond J. Kobus, Jr.** (M.D. 84) accepted a residency in orthopedic surgery at Ohio State University hospitals in Columbus.

**David N. Koster** (B.S. Engineering 84) has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force after graduating with distinguished honors from Officer Training School. He and his wife Debra are stationed at Langley Air Force Base, Va.

**Terry Robert Lieberman** (M.B.A. Marketing 84) is employed as the creative director in marketing for the P.M.H. Co. Terry recently married Bethany Anne Bilot, a junior at Wright State.

**Joanne Martin** (M.D. 84) was one of 12 to be initiated into the Epsilon of Ohio Chapter of Alpha Omega Honor Medical Society last year. She spent last April at Newcastle General Hospital, Newcastle Upon Tyne, England.

**E. Dennis Miller** (M.B.A. Management 84) is an engineer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. He recently became bishop of the Fairborn Ward of the Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Church.



# Pet perceptions

## Pet theories and their benefits



Dr. Judith Pistilli, clinical professor, School of Professional Psychology, far right, uses pet therapy in her counseling.

by Wendy Larish

**F**eeling stressed out from day to day problems in life? Feeling lonely when you return to an empty house? As a single person, do you feel a need for a family?

Pets may be just the solution to all of those needs, according to Dr. Judith Pistilli, a practicing psychologist and clinical professor at the Wright State School of Professional Psychology. Pistilli contends that we own pets because there are so many benefits.

"Pets are a link to nature and the natural world, especially to city dwellers," she says. "They give you a feeling of being needed and this results in greater self-esteem for the owner. They teach us about reality, that love is give and take. Animals give you attention and make you feel good because the non-verbal communication is quiet and relaxing. Animals are also a complement to human relationships and have been found to be beneficial to our mental health and physical well being."

Pistilli, a pet owner herself, is realizing an additional benefit from pets. She is one of the few psychologists in the U.S. using pet therapy in her counseling. Twenty-one to thirty-three percent of psychologists may ask their clients about their pets, far fewer ask their clients to bring in the pets themselves, as Pistilli sometimes does.

"Discussing pets in the initial counseling session establishes rapport with the patient and relieves tension and anxiety," says Pistilli. "Sometimes I will ask a family to bring their pet with them to a therapy session. The pet can serve as a barometer of family tensions as

you observe the family interacting with one another and with the pet. The pet will mirror the owners' anxieties. For example, if the owners are agitated, the pet may likely exhibit that kind of behavior and it offers a clue to some basic problems the family is experiencing."

Pistilli also feels that a client's relationship with a pet may provide diagnostic information about certain psychological problems. "One of my young patient's irrational fear of dying was traced to the death of her guinea pig several years earlier. The girl felt she was responsible for the death of her pet and had never resolved her grief or guilt satisfactorily. When I asked her to bring her cat in during a counseling session she exhibited very protective behavior toward it. After talking

about her cat and the emotional experiences surrounding the death of her guinea pig, we could begin to resolve her problem," says Pistilli.

According to Pistilli, our society doesn't allow us to grieve the loss of a companion animal. "The death of a pet represents a broken love tie. Unfortunately, many times showing emotion at the loss of a pet is called silly or neurotic," she says. "There is nothing wrong with loving a pet, and it's very normal to feel the loss after a pet dies. It usually takes between 6-9 months for the grieving process, but if it persists longer than that you may consider seeking professional help," says Pistilli. She recently formed a pet support group for those who have lost their pets. "If people hold back grief it will come back to haunt them

psychologically. A child's grief over the loss of a pet should never be taken lightly," adds Pistilli.

The function pets can serve in mental health has been researched and surveyed by Pistilli. "Pets serve different roles for different people, but the most universal benefit of owning pets is the almost unconditional love a pet can offer. Pets do not judge or criticize, they are loyal and affectionate to their owners and are usually treated as family members. Pets also provide their owners with an opportunity to play and exercise, provide a distraction from problems and a catalyst for social interaction," says Pistilli.

Benefits from pet ownership can be physical as well as emotional. People who have an animal to care for may take better care of themselves. Stroking an animal has been found to reduce blood pressure and research indicates that owning pets may contribute to a faster rate of recovery after illness.

Pets can also serve special roles among special populations, says Pistilli. "A child can learn about bodily needs, sexuality, death and love by having a pet, while childless couples can prepare for the responsibilities of starting a family by owning a pet.

"For some older or divorced adults the two most frequent problems are depression and loneliness. Pets can often offer a symbolic replacement for significant losses," explains Pistilli. She developed a proposal and initiated a visiting animal program at a local nursing home to provide the residents with the opportunity to have contact with animals. Some correctional facilities are permitting prisoners to keep birds or other animals as pets to provide companionship.

Although enthusiastic about the significant benefits pets can provide, Pistilli contends that, "Pets aren't for everyone. They do entail responsibility." She stresses that pets can't replace traditional therapy or human relationships, but can complement those relationships and serve as an important therapeutic adjunct. "What I'm interested in is forming a bond between people and pets. The therapeutic benefit stems from that bond, not from simply having an animal around."

